

9 January 1973

MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Medical Services

SUBJECT: Alcohol Program Year End Report

REFERENCE: Memo dated 27 Nov 1972 to D/OP and D/MS
from Mr. Wattles

1. Since March 1972 which represents the start of the formal Agency Alcohol Abuse Program, OMS has worked with the Alcohol Program Coordinator, OP, on 14 cases of problem drinking handled in accordance with the provisions of that program. Eleven are still on duty and being followed. One case was found medically unfit and was counseled to apply for

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2. There were two additional cases (outside the formal Alcohol Program) in which supervisors, in accordance with the new regulations, sought medical consultation but did not wish to bring the cases to the attention of OP. These cases were evaluated and rehabilitative measures were instituted (including supervisory probation). These cases are being followed with success at this point. There were two self-referrals to OMS. One actively accepted rehabilitative recommendations and the other was hesitant to do so. OMS continues to monitor many other cases suggesting alcohol abuse but under circumstances in which the diagnosis cannot be made.

3. Community resources for rehabilitation remain of interest to OMS and continue to be evaluated and re-evaluated for their actual usefulness.

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4. In summary, the past nine months has seen the start of a combined OMS, OP, Division effort to find a useful approach to this problem. Many details of a practical approach and the actual mechanics have yet to be worked out through ongoing experience.



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